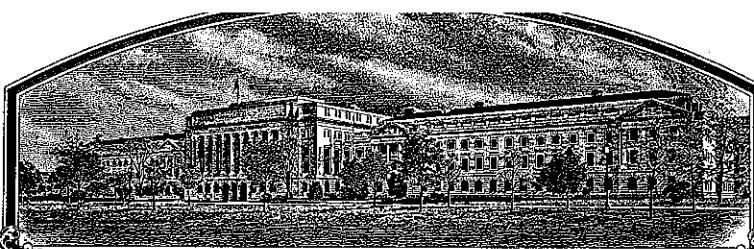


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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

Mission Ranches

Whereas, THERE HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO THE

Secretary of Agriculture

AN APPLICATION REQUESTING A CERTIFICATE OF PROTECTION FOR AN ALLEGED DISTINCT VARIETY OF SEXUALLY REPRODUCED, OR TUBER PROPAGATED PLANT, THE NAME AND DESCRIPTION OF WHICH ARE CONTAINED IN THE APPLICATION AND EXHIBITS, A COPY OF WHICH IS HEREUNTO ANNEXED AND MADE A PART HEREOF, AND THE VARIOUS REQUIREMENTS OF LAW IN SUCH CASES MADE AND PROVIDED HAVE BEEN COMPLIED WITH, AND THE TITLE THERETO IS FROM THE RECORDS OF THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE, IN THE APPLICANT(S) INDICATED IN THE SAID COPY, AND WHEREAS, UPON DUE EXAMINATION MADE, THE SAID APPLICANT(S) IS (ARE) ADJUDGED TO BE ENTITLED TO A CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS CERTIFICATE OF PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION IS TO GRANT UNTO THE SAID APPLICANT(S) AND THE SUCCESSORS, HEIRS OR ASSIGNS OF THE SAID APPLICANT(S) FOR THE TERM OF TWENTY YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THIS GRANT, SUBJECT TO THE PAYMENT OF THE REQUIRED FEES AND PERIODIC REPLENISHMENT OF VIABLE BASIC SEED OF THE VARIETY IN A PUBLIC REPOSITORY AS PROVIDED BY LAW, THE RIGHT TO EXCLUDE OTHERS FROM SELLING THE VARIETY, OR OFFERING IT FOR SALE, OR REPRODUCING IT, OR IMPORTING IT, OR EXPORTING IT, OR CONDITIONING IT FOR PROPAGATION, OR STOCKING IT FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE PURPOSE, OR CONDITIONING IT FOR PROPAGATION, OR STOCKING IT FOR ANY OF THE ABOVE PURPOSE, OR USING IT IN PRODUCING A HYBRID OR DIFFERENT VARIETY THEREFROM, TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED BY THE PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION ACT. (84 STAT. 1542, AS AMENDED, 7 U.S.C. 2321 ET SEQ.)

LETTUCE

'Seacrest'

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Plant Variety Protection Office to be affixed at the City of Washington, D.C. this nineteenth day of September, in the year two thousand and five.

Attest:

Commissioner
Plant Variety Protection Office
Agricultural Marketing Service

Secretary of Agriculture



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY DIVISION - PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION OFFICE

APPLICATION FOR PLANT VARIETY PROTECTION CERTIFICATE

(Instructions and information collection burden statement on reverse)

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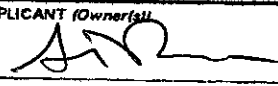
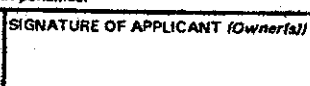
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|--|--|---|--|-----------------------------------|------|
| 1. NAME OF APPLICANT(S) (as it is to appear on the Certificate) | | 2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION OR EXPERIMENTAL NUMBER | | 3. VARIETY NAME | |
| Mission Ranches | | Green Oak | | 'Seacrest' Groverde | |
| 4. ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code, and Country) | | 5. TELEPHONE (include area code) | | FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY | |
| 100 Broadway King City, CA 93930 USA | | (831) 385-1263 | | PVPO NUMBER 000000021 | |
| | | 6. FAX (include area code) | | DATE | |
| | | (831) 385-3340 | | Oct 25, 1999 | |
| 7. GENUS AND SPECIES NAME | | 8. FAMILY NAME (Botanical) | | FILING AND EXAMINATION FEE: | |
| Lactuca sativa | | compositae | | FEE \$ 2450.00 | |
| 9. CROP KIND NAME (Common name) | | | | DATE | |
| Lettuce | | | | Oct 25, 1999 | |
| 10. IF THE APPLICANT NAMED IS NOT A "PERSON", GIVE FORM OF ORGANIZATION (corporation, partnership, association, etc.) (Common name) | | | | CERTIFICATION FEE: | |
| Partnership | | | | FEE \$ 682.00 | |
| 11. IF INCORPORATED, GIVE STATE OF INCORPORATION | | 12. DATE OF INCORPORATION | | DATE | |
| | | | | July 28, 2005 | |
| 13. NAME AND ADDRESS OF APPLICANT REPRESENTATIVE(S), IF ANY, TO SERVE IN THIS APPLICATION AND RECEIVE ALL PAPERS | | | | 14. TELEPHONE (include area code) | |
| Dean Gregg 100 Broadway King City, CA 93930 | | | | (831) 809-3959 | |
| | | | | 15. FAX (include area code) | |
| | | | | (831) 726-2961 | |
| 16. CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX FOR EACH ATTACHMENT SUBMITTED (Follow instructions on reverse) | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit A. Origin and Breeding History of the Variety <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit B. Statement of Distinctness <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit C. Objective Description of the Variety <input type="checkbox"/> Exhibit D. Additional Description of the Variety (Optional) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Exhibit E. Statement of the Basis of the Applicant's Ownership <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Voucher Sample (2,500 viable untreated seeds or, for tuber propagated varieties verification that tissue culture will be deposited and maintained in an approved public repository) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Filing and Examination Fee (\$2,450), made payable to "Treasurer of the United States" (Mail to PVPO) | | | | | |
| 17. DOES THE APPLICANT SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE SOLD BY VARIETY NAME ONLY, AS A CLASS OF CERTIFIED SEED? (See Section 63(a) of the Plant Variety Protection Act) | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> YES // "yes," answer items 18 and 19 below <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO // "no," go to item 20 | | | | | |
| 18. DOES THE APPLICANT SPECIFY THAT SEED OF THIS VARIETY BE LIMITED AS TO NUMBER OF GENERATIONS? | | | 19. IF "YES" TO ITEM 18, WHICH CLASSES OF PRODUCTION BEYOND BREEDER SEED? | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO | | | <input type="checkbox"/> FOUNDATION <input type="checkbox"/> REGISTERED <input type="checkbox"/> CERTIFIED | | |
| 20. HAS THE VARIETY OR A HYBRID PRODUCED FROM THE VARIETY BEEN RELEASED, USED, OFFERED FOR SALE, OR MARKETING IN THE U.S. OR OTHER COUNTRIES? | | | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> YES // "yes," give names of countries and dates <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO | | | | | |
| 21. The applicant(s) declare that a viable sample of basic seed of the variety will be furnished with application and will be replenished upon request in accordance with such regulations as may be applicable, or for a tuber propagated variety a tissue culture will be deposited in a public repository and maintained for the duration of the certificate. | | | | | |
| The undersigned applicant(s) is(are) the owner(s) of this sexually reproduced or tuber propagated plant variety, and believe(s) that the variety is new, distinct, uniform, and stable as required in Section 42, and is entitled to protection under the provisions of Section 42 of the Plant Variety Protection Act. | | | | | |
| Applicant(s) is(are) informed that false representation herein can jeopardize protection and result in penalties. | | | | | |
| SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (Owner(s)) | | | SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT (Owner(s)) | | |
|  | | |  | | |
| NAME (Please print or type) | | | NAME (Please print or type) | | |
| Stan Pura | | | Stan Pura | | |
| CAPACITY OR TITLE | | DATE | CAPACITY OR TITLE | | DATE |
| Partner | | 10/21/99 | | | |

EXHIBIT ARAD
1/30/01*Seacrest*

~~Oroverde~~ is a green oakleaf type of lettuce developed exclusively for the "baby leaf" salad mix market. It is the result of a cross made in 1996, between Bambino and El Dorado.

- August 1996 - F₁ seed collected and planted; seedlings screened for resistance to downy mildew. Resistant plants saved.
- April 1997 - First backcross (BC₁) seed collected and planted; seedlings screened for downy mildew resistance. Resistant plants saved.
- September 1997 - Selfed (BC₁S₁) seed collected; seed was screened for mildew resistance. Resistant seedlings were selected for oakleaf shape.
- May 1998 - BC₁S₂; seed indexed for resistance to downy mildew; only homozygous resistant lines were continued. These lines were indexed for leaf shape. Preferred lines were massed together.
- September 1998 - BC₁S₃; mass selection for leaf type.
- April 1999 - BC₁S₄
- September 1999 - Observation of the BC₁S₅ generation

Breeding methods used were a combination of backcrossing and mass selection. Observation of both the S₄ and S₅ generations showed them to be uniform and stable. No variants were observed.

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Lettuce application No. 200000021, 'Seacrest'

Exhibit B

Seacrest carries lettuce downy mildew resistant gene, Dm18. Bambino does not carry downy mildew resistant gene, Dm18.

EXHIBIT BRAD
1/30/01

Seacrest

'seacrest'

~~Oroverde~~ is most similar to Bambino; however, ~~Oroverde~~ is resistant to lettuce downy mildew Pathotypes I, IIA, IIB, III, IV and V. Bambino is not resistant to these pathotypes.

The color of Oroverde is 146A on the Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart.

Replaced by JRM
12/8/04

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
AGRICULTURAL MARKETING SERVICE
SCIENCE DIVISION
OBJECTIVE DESCRIPTION OF VARIETY
LETTUCE *Lactuca sativa*

EXHIBIT

| | |
|--|---------------------------|
| NAME OF APPLICANT (S) Mission Ranches ADDRESS (Street and No. or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code) 100 Broadway King City, CA 93930 | FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY |
| | PVP NUMBER 200000021 |
| | VARIETY NAME Sea Crest |
| | EXPERIMENTAL DESIGNATION |

Place numbers in the boxes for the characters which best describe this variety. Measured data should be the mean of an appropriate number (at least 10) of well spaced plants. Royal Horticultural Society or any recognized color standard may be used to determine plant colors.

The location of the test area is: California Color System Used: Royal Horticultural Society Colour Chart

1. PLANT TYPE: (See list of suggested check varieties page 4.)

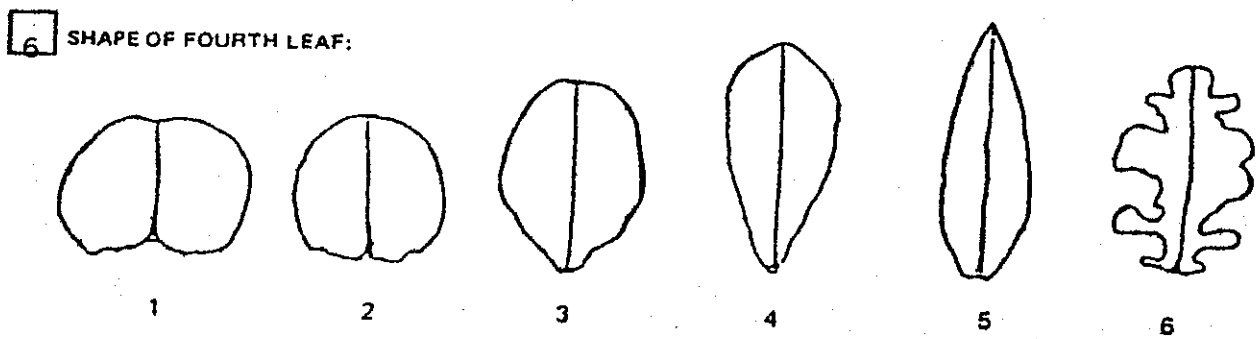
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|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 01-Curting/Leaf | <input type="checkbox"/> 05-Great Lakes Group | <input type="checkbox"/> 09-Stem |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 02-Butterhead | <input type="checkbox"/> 06-Vanguard Group | <input type="checkbox"/> 10-Latin |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 03-Bibb | <input type="checkbox"/> 07-Imperial Group | <input type="checkbox"/> 11-OTHER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 04-Cos or Romaine | <input type="checkbox"/> 08-Eastern (Ithaca) Group | |

2. SEED:

| | | |
|--|---|--|
| COLOR | LIGHT DORMANCY | HEAT DORMANCY |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1-White (Silver Gray) | <input type="checkbox"/> 1=Light Required | <input type="checkbox"/> 1=Susceptible |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 2-Black (Gray Brown) | <input type="checkbox"/> 2=Light Not Required | <input type="checkbox"/> 2=Not Susceptible |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3-Brown (Amber) | | |

3. COTYLEDON TO FOURTH LEAF STAGE: NOTE: Provide a color photograph or photocopy of the fourth leaf from 20 day old seedling grown under optimal conditions.

☐ 3 SHAPE OF COTYLEDONS: 1=Broad 2=Intermediate 3=Spatulate



☐ 2 ☐ 4 LENGTH/WIDTH INDEX OF FOURTH LEAF: L/W x 10

| | | | |
|---|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7 APICAL MARGIN: | 1=Entire | 4=Moderately Dentate | 7=Lobed |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 7 BASAL MARGIN: | 2=Crenate/Grooved | 5=Coarsely Dentate | 8=OTHER (specify) |
| | 3=Finely Dentate | 6=Incised | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 UNDULATION: | 1=Flat | 2=Slight | 3=Medium 4=Marked |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3 GREEN COLOR: | 1=Yellow Green | 3=Medium Green | 5=Blue Green 7=Gray Green |
| | 2=Light Green | 4=Dark Green | 6=Silver Green |
| ANTHOCYANIN: | | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 DISTRIBUTION: | 1=Absent | 3=Spotted | 5=OTHER (specify) |
| | 2=Margin Only | 4=Throughout | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1/10 ⁶ CONCENTRATION: | 1=Light | 2=Moderate | 3=Intense |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 ROLLING: | 1=Absent | 2=Present | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 CUPPING: | 1=Uncupped | 2=Slight | 3=Markedly |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 REFLEXING: | 1=None | 2=Apical Margin | 3=Lateral Margins |

4. MATURE LEAVES (observe harvest-mature outer leaves):

NOTE: Provide color photo of harvest-mature leaves which accurately shows color and margin characteristics.

MARGIN:

| | | | | |
|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 3 | INCISION DEPTH: (deepest penetration of the margin) | 1=Absent/Shallow (Dark Green Boston) | 2=Moderate (Vanguard) | 3=Deep (Great Lakes 659) |
| 3 | INDENTATION: (finest divisions of the margin) | 1=Entire (Dark Green Boston) | 3=Deeply Dentate (Great Lakes 659) | 5=OTHER (specify) |
| | | 2=Shallowly Dentate (Great Lakes 65) | 4=Crenate (Vanguard) | |
| 2 | UNDULATION OF THE APICAL MARGIN: | 1=Absent/Slight (Dark Green Boston) | 2=Moderate (Vanguard) | 3=Strong (Great Lakes 659) |
| 3 | GREEN COLOR: | 1=Very Light Green (Bibb) | 3=Medium Green (Great Lakes) | 5=Very Dark Green |
| | | 2=Light Green (Minetto) | 4=Dark Green (Vanguard) | 6=OTHER |
| ANTHOCYANIN (grown at or below 10 C): | | | | |
| 1 | DISTRIBUTION: | 1=Absent | 3=Spotted (Calif. Cream Butter) | 5=OTHER (specify) |
| | | 2=Margin Only (Big Boston) | 4=Throughout (Prize Head) | |
| 1/2 | CONCENTRATION: | 1=Light (Iceberg) | 2=Moderate (Prize Head) | 3=Intense (Ruby) |
| 2 | SIZE: | 1=Small | 2=Medium | 3=Large |
| 2 | GLOSSINESS: | 1=Dull (Vanguard) | 2=Moderate (Salinas) | 3=Glossy (Great Lakes) |
| 1 | BLISTERING: | 1=Absent/Slight (Salinas) | 2=Moderate (Vanguard) | 3=Strong (Prize Head) |
| 3 | LEAF THICKNESS: | 1=Thin | 2=Intermediate | 3=Thick |
| 1 | TRICHOMES: | 1=Absent (smooth) | 2=Present (spiny) | |

5. PLANT (at market stage. Choose a comparison variety appropriate for this type.):

SPREAD OF FRAME LEAVES:

5 2 cm This Variety 4 3 cm Bambino (specify comparison variety)

HEAD DIAMETER (market trimmed with single cap leaf):

5 2 cm This Variety 4 3 cm Bambino (specify comparison variety)

5 HEAD SHAPE: 1=Flattened 2=Slightly Flattened 3=Spherical 4=Elongate 5=Non-Heading 6=OTHER

2 HEAD SIZE CLASS: 1=Small 2=Medium 3=Large

4 8/10 HEAD COUNT PER CARTON

9 2 1 HEAD WEIGHT: 9 This Variety 8 5 7 Bambino (specify comparison variety)

1 HEAD FIRMNESS: 1=Loose 2=Moderate 3=Firm 4=Very Firm

6. BUTT (bottom of market-trimmed head):

3/ SHAPE: 1=Slightly Concave 2=Flat 3=Rounded

3 MIDRIB: 1=Flattened (Salinas) 2=Moderately Raised 3=Prominently Raised (Great Lakes 659)

7. CORE (stem of market-trimmed head):

3 9 mm Diameter at base of head

1 3 6 Ratio of head diameter/core diameter

7 7 Core height from base of head to apex: mm This Variety 8 2 mm Bambino (specify comparison variety)

8. BOLTING (Give First Water Date May 10):

NOTE: First Water Date is the date seed first receives adequate moisture to germinate. This can and often does equal the planting date.

5 3 Number of days from First Water Date to seed stalk emergence (summer conditions): This Variety 5 3 Bambino (specify comparison variety)

4 BOLTING CLASS: 1=Very Slow 2=Slow 3=Medium 4=Rapid 5=Very Rapid

1 3 8 Height of mature seed stalk: cm This Variety 1 4 0 cm Bambino (specify comparison variety)

Spread of Bolter Plant (at wk 0 point):

5 0 cm This Variety 5 3 cm Bambino (specify comparison variety)

2 BOLTER LEAVES: 1=Straight 2=Curved

2 MARGIN: 1=Entire 2=Dentate

2 COLOR: 1=Light Green 2=Medium Green 3=Dark Green

BOLTER HABIT:

2 TERMINAL INFLORESCENCE: 1=Absent 2=Present

2 LATERAL SHOOTS: (above head) 1=Absent 2=Present

2 BASAL SIDE SHOOTS: 1=Absent 2=Present

9. MATURITY (earliness of harvest-mature head formation):

NOTE: Complete this section for at least one season.

| SEASON | Applic. 1/ # of days | Check 1/ # of days | CHECK VARIETY 2/ |
|--------|----------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Spring | 1 1 0 | 1 1 0 | Bambino |
| Summer | | | |
| Fall | | | |
| Winter | | | |

Give planting date(s), and location(s):

Spring January 6, 1999 Aromas, CA

Summer

Fall

Winter

1/ First water date to harvest.

2/ Fill in check variety name on the appropriate line.

10. ADAPTATION:

PRIMARY REGIONS OF ADAPTION (tested and proven adapted):

(0=Not tested

1=Not Adapted

2=Adapted)

2 Southwest (Calif., Ariz. desert) 2 West Coast 0 Northeast

0 Northcentral 0 Southeast OTHER

SEASON:

2 Spring (area West Coast) 2 Fall (area West Coast)

2 Summer (area West Coast) 2 Winter (area West Coast)

0 GREENHOUSE: 0=Not tested 1=Not Adapted 2=Adapted

1 SOIL TYPE: 1=Mineral 2=Organic 3=Both

11. DISEASES AND STRESS REACTIONS

Not tested; 1=Susceptible; 2=Intermediate; 3=Resistant; 4=Highly resistant; 5=Tolerant

VIRUS

- ☐ Big Vein
☒ Lettuce Mosaic
☐ Cucumber Mosaic
☐ Broad Bean Wilt
☐ Turnip Mosaic
☐ Beet Western Yellows
☐ Lett. Infectious Yellows
☐ Other Virus _____

INSECTS

- ☒ Cabbage Loopers
☐ Root Aphids
☒ Green Peach Aphid
☐ Other Insect _____

FUNGAL/BACTERIAL

- ☐ Corky Root Rot (Pythium Root Rot)
☒ Downy Mildew (Races I, IIA, IIB, III, IV, V)
☐ Powdery Mildew
☐ Sclerotinia Rot
☐ Bacterial Soft Rot (Pseudomonas spp. & others)
☐ Botrytis (Gray Mold)
☐ OTHER _____

PHYSIOLOGICAL/STRESS

- ☐ Tipburn
☒ Heat
☐ Drought
☒ Cold
☐ Salt
☐ Brown Rib (Rib Discoloration, Rib Blight)
☐ OTHER _____

POST HARVEST

- ☐ Pink Rib
☐ Russet Spotting
☐ Rusty Brown Discoloration
☐ Internal Rib Necrosis (Blackheart, Gray Rib, Gray Streak)
☐ Brown Stain

12. BIOCHEMICAL OR ELECTROPHORETIC MARKERS:

13. COMMENTS:

SUGGESTED CHECK VARIETIES

- | TYPE | CHECK VARIETY |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1) CUTTING/LEAF | SALAD BOWL |
| 2) BUTTERHEAD | DARK GREEN BOSTON |
| 3) BIBB | BIBB |
| 4) COS, OR ROMAINE | PARRIS ISLAND |
| 5) GREAT LAKES GROUP | GREAT LAKES 659-700 |
| 6) VANGUARD GROUP | VANGUARD |
| 7) IMPERIAL GROUP | VIVA |
| 8) EASTERN GROUP | ITHACA |
| 9) STEM | CELTUCE |
| 10) LATIN | MATCHLESS |

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EXHIBIT C, Item 2

Fourth leaf, 20 day old seedling



EXHIBIT C, Item 4

Harvest mature leaf



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EXHIBIT ~~B~~ C
(supplement)



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EXHIBIT E
STATEMENT OF THE BASIS OF OWNERSHIP

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Mission Ranches

2. TEMPORARY DESIGNATION
OR EXPERIMENTAL NUMBER

Green Oak

3. VARIETY NAME

Seacrest
cloveverde

RAD 1/30/0

4. ADDRESS (Street and No., or R.F.D. No., City, State, and ZIP Code, and Country)

100 Broadway
King City, CA 93930

5. TELEPHONE (include area code)

(831) 385-1263

6. FAX (include area code)

(831) 385-3340

7. PVPO NUMBER

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8. Does the applicant own all rights to the variety? Mark an "X" in appropriate block. If no, please explain.

☒ YES

☐ NO

9. Is the applicant (individual or company) a U.S. national or U.S. based company?
If no, give name of country

☒ YES

☐ NO

10. Is the applicant the original owner? ☒ YES ☐ NO If no, please answer the following:

a. If original rights to variety were owned by individual(s), is (are) the original owner(s) a U.S. national(s)?

☐ YES

☐ NO If no, give name of country

b. If original rights to variety were owned by a company, is the original owner(s) a U.S. based company?

☐ YES

☐ NO If no, give name of country

11. Additional explanation on ownership (If needed, use reverse for extra space):

PLEASE NOTE:

Plant variety protection can be afforded only to owners (not licensees) who meet one of the following criteria:

1. If the rights to the variety are owned by the original breeder, that person must be a U.S. national, national of a UPOV member country, or national of a country which affords similar protection to nationals of the U.S. for the same genus and species.
2. If the rights to the variety are owned by the company which employed the original breeder(s), the company must be U.S. based, owned by nationals of a UPOV member country, or owned by nationals of a country which affords similar protection to nationals of the U.S. for the same genus and species.
3. If the applicant is an owner who is not the original owner, both the original owner and the applicant must meet one of the above criteria.

The original breeder/owner may be the individual or company who directed final breeding. See Section 41(a)(2) of the Plant Variety Protection Act for definition.

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